

CANAL ZONE

Applicability of section to Canal Zone, see section 14 of this title.

CROSS REFERENCES

Destruction of property moving in commerce, see section 80501 of Title 49, Transportation.

Larceny, etc., of goods from railroad car or station, see section 659 of this title.

Railroad car entered or seal broken, see section 2117 of this title.

Wire or oral communications, authorization for interception, to provide evidence of murder or robbery, see section 2516 of this title.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 14 of this title.

§ 1992. Wrecking trains

Whoever willfully derails, disables, or wrecks any train, engine, motor unit, or car used, operated, or employed in interstate or foreign commerce by any railroad; or

Whoever willfully sets fire to, or places any explosive substance on or near, or undermines any tunnel, bridge, viaduct, trestle, track, signal, station, depot, warehouse, terminal, or any other way, structure, property, or appurtenance used in the operation of any such railroad in interstate or foreign commerce, or otherwise makes any such tunnel, bridge, viaduct, trestle, track, signal, station, depot, warehouse, terminal, or any other way, structure, property, or appurtenance unworkable or unusable or hazardous to work or use, with the intent to derail, disable, or wreck a train, engine, motor unit, or car used, operated, or employed in interstate or foreign commerce; or

Whoever willfully attempts to do any of the aforesaid acts or things—

Shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than twenty years, or both.

Whoever is convicted of any such crime, which has resulted in the death of any person, shall be subject also to the death penalty or to imprisonment for life.

(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 794; Sept. 13, 1994, Pub. L. 103-322, title VI, § 60003(a)(8), title XXXIII, § 330016(1)(L), 108 Stat. 1969, 2147.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on title 18, U.S.C., 1940 ed., § 412a (June 8, 1940, ch. 286, 54 Stat. 255).

First clause in second paragraph of said section 412a of title 18, U.S.C., 1940 ed., was omitted as covered by section 3231 of this title.

Words “and on conviction thereof” were omitted as surplusage since punishment cannot be imposed until a conviction is secured.

AMENDMENTS

1994—Pub. L. 103-322, § 330016(1)(L), substituted “fined under this title” for “fined not more than \$10,000” in fourth par.

Pub. L. 103-322, § 60003(a)(8), substituted a period for the comma after “imprisonment for life” in penultimate par., and struck out remainder of penultimate par. and last par. which read as follows: “if the jury shall in its discretion so direct, or, in the case of a plea of guilty, if the court in its discretion shall so order.”

“A judgment of conviction or acquittal on the merits under the laws of any State shall be a bar to any prosecution hereunder for the same act or acts.”

CROSS REFERENCES

Destruction of property moving in commerce, see section 80501 of Title 49, Transportation.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 2516, 3592 of this title.

[CHAPTER 99—REPEALED]

[§§ 2031, 2032. Repealed. Pub. L. 99-646, § 87(c)(1), Nov. 10, 1986, 100 Stat. 3623; Pub. L. 99-654, § 3(a)(1), Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3663]

Section 2031, act June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 795, prescribed penalties for commission of rape within special maritime and territorial jurisdiction.

Section 2032, act June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 795, prescribed penalties for carnal knowledge of female under 16 within special maritime and territorial jurisdiction.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal by Pub. L. 99-646 and Pub. L. 99-654 effective, respectively, 30 days after Nov. 10, 1986, and 30 days after Nov. 14, 1986, see section 87 of Pub. L. 99-646 and section 4 of Pub. L. 99-654, set out as an Effective Date note under section 2241 of this title.

CHAPTER 101—RECORDS AND REPORTS

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2071. Concealment, removal, or mutilation generally.

2072. False crop reports.

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2075. Officer failing to make returns or reports.

2076. Clerk of United States District Court.

CROSS REFERENCES

War contract records, see section 443 of this title.

§ 2071. Concealment, removal, or mutilation generally

(a) Whoever willfully and unlawfully conceals, removes, mutilates, obliterates, or destroys, or attempts to do so, or, with intent to do so takes and carries away any record, proceeding, map, book, paper, document, or other thing, filed or deposited with any clerk or officer of any court of the United States, or in any public office, or with any judicial or public officer of the United States, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than three years, or both.

(b) Whoever, having the custody of any such record, proceeding, map, book, document, paper, or other thing, willfully and unlawfully conceals, removes, mutilates, obliterates, falsifies, or destroys the same, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than three years, or both; and shall forfeit his office and be disqualified from holding any office under the United States. As used in this subsection, the term “office” does not include the office held by any person as a retired officer of the Armed Forces of the United States.

(June 25, 1948, ch. 645, 62 Stat. 795; Nov. 5, 1990, Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title V, § 552(a), 104 Stat. 1566; Sept. 13, 1994, Pub. L. 103-322, title XXXIII, § 330016(1)(I), 108 Stat. 2147.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on title 18, U.S.C., 1940 ed., §§ 234, 235 (Mar. 4, 1909, ch. 321, §§ 128, 129, 35 Stat. 1111, 1112).